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HIGHLIGHTS

The House agreed to the Conference Report on H.R. 3057, Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2006.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages \$12375-\$12414

Measures Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1961–1964. Page S12401

Measures Reported:

S. 1184, to waive the passport fees for a relative of a deceased member of the Armed Forces proceeding abroad to visit the grave of such member or to attend a funeral or memorial service for such member.

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Department of Defense Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1042, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2006 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

McCain Amendment No. 2425, relating to persons under the detention, custody, or control of the United States Government. Pages \$12380-86

Withdrawn:

Inhofe Amendment No. 1311, to protect the economic and energy security of the United States.

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Inhofe/Kyl Amendment No. 1313, to require an annual report on the use of United States funds with respect to the activities and management of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

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Ensign Amendment No. 1374, to require a report on the use of riot control agents. Page S12377

Ensign Amendment No. 1375, to require a report on the costs incurred by the Department of Defense in implementing or supporting resolutions of the United Nations Security Council.

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Durbin Amendment No. 1379, to require certain dietary supplement manufacturers to report certain serious adverse events.

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Hutchison/Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 1357, to express the sense of the Senate with regard to manned space flight.

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Thune Amendment No. 1389, to postpone the 2005 round of defense base closure and realignment.

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Kennedy Amendment No. 1415, to transfer funds authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Energy for the National Nuclear Security Administration for weapons activities and available for the Robust Nuclear Earth Penetrator to the Army National Guard, Washington, District of Columbia, chapter.

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Allard/McConnell Amendment No. 1418, to require life cycle cost estimates for the destruction of lethal chemical munitions under the Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives program.

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Allard/Salazar Amendment No. 1419, to authorize a program to provide health, medical, and life insurance benefits to workers at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site, Colorado, who would otherwise fail to qualify for such benefits because of an early physical completion date.

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Dorgan Amendment No. 1426, to express the sense of the Senate on the declassification and release to the public of certain portions of the Report of the Joint Inquiry into the Terrorist Attacks of September 11, 2001, and to urge the President to release information regarding sources of foreign support for the hijackers involved in the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

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Dorgan Amendment No. 1429, to establish a special committee of the Senate to investigate the awarding and carrying out of contracts to conduct activities in Afghanistan and Iraq and to fight the war on terrorism.

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Salazar Amendment No. 1421, to rename the death gratuity payable for deaths of members of the Armed Forces as fallen hero compensation.

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Salazar Amendment No. 1422, to provide that certain local educational agencies shall be eligible to receive a fiscal year 2005 payment under section 8002 or 8003 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

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Salazar/Reed Amendment No. 1423, to provide for Department of Defense support of certain Paralympic sporting events. Page S12377

Collins (for Thune) Amendment No. 1489, to postpone the 2005 round of defense base closure and realignment.

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Collins (for Thune) Amendment No. 1490, to require the Secretary of the Air Force to develop and implement a national space radar system capable of employing at least two frequencies.

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Collins (for Thune) Amendment No. 1491, to prevent retaliation against a member of the Armed Forces for providing testimony about the military value of a military installation.

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Reed (for Levin) Amendment No. 1492, to make available, with an offset, an additional \$50,000,000, for Operation and Maintenance for Cooperative Threat Reduction.

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Hatch Amendment No. 1516, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the investment of funds as called for in the Depot Maintenance Strategy and Master Plan of the Air Force.

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Inhofe Amendment No. 1476, to express the sense of Congress that the President should take immediate steps to establish a plan to implement the recommendations of the 2004 Report to Congress of the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission.

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Allard Amendment No. 1383, to establish a program for the management of post-project completion retirement benefits for employees at Department of Energy project completion sites.

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Allard/Salazar Amendment No. 1506, to authorize the Secretary of Energy to purchase certain essential mineral rights and resolve natural resource damage liability claims.

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McCain Modified Amendment No. 1557, to provide for uniform standards for the interrogation of persons under the detention of the Department of Defense.

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Warner Amendment No. 1566, to provide for uniform standards and procedures for the interrogation of persons under the detention of the Department of Defense.

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McCain Modified Amendment No. 1556, to prohibit cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or

punishment of persons under the custody or control of the United States Government. Page S12378

Stabenow/Johnson Amendment No. 1435, to ensure that future funding for health care for veterans takes into account changes in population and inflation.

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Murray Amendment No. 1348, to amend the assistance to local educational agencies with significant enrollment changes in military dependent students due to force structure changes, troop relocations, creation of new units, and realignment under BRAC.

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Murray Amendment No. 1349, to facilitate the availability of child care for the children of members of the Armed Forces on active duty in connection with Operation Enduring Freedom or Operation Iraqi Freedom and to assist school districts serving large numbers or percentages of military dependent children affected by the war in Iraq or Afghanistan, or by other Department of Defense personnel decisions.

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Levin Amendment No. 1494, to establish a national commission on policies and practices on the treatment of detainees since September 11, 2001.

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Hutchison Amendment No. 1477, to make oral and maxillofacial surgeons eligible for special pay for Reserve health professionals in critically short wartime specialties.

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Graham/McCain Modified Amendment No. 1505, to authorize the President to utilize the Combatant Status Review Tribunals and Annual Review Board to determine the status of detainees held at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

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Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 762, to repeal the requirement for the reduction of certain Survivor Benefit Plan annuities by the amount of dependency and indemnity compensation and to modify the effective date for paid-up coverage under the Survivor Benefit Plan.

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Durbin Amendment No. 1428, to authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to enter into agreements with St. Clair County, Illinois, for the purpose of constructing joint administrative and operations structures at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.

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Durbin Amendment No. 1571, to ensure that a Federal employee who takes leave without pay in order to perform service as a member of the uniformed services or member of the National Guard shall continue to receive pay in an amount which, when taken together with the pay and allowances such individual is receiving for such service, will be no less than the basic pay such individual would then be receiving if no interruption in employment had occurred.

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Levin Amendment No. 1496, to prohibit the use of funds for normalizing relations with Libya pending resolution with Libya of certain claims relating to the bombing of the LaBelle Discotheque in Berlin, Germany.

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Levin Amendment No. 1497, to establish limitations on excess charges under time-and-materials contracts and labor-hour contracts of the Department of Defense.

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Levin (for Harkin/Dorgan) Amendment No. 1425, relating to the American Forces Network.

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Pending:

Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 2424, to repeal the requirement for the reduction of certain Survivor Benefit Plan annuities by the amount of dependency and indemnity compensation and to modify the effective date for paid-up coverage under the Survivor Benefit Plan.

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Allard Amendment No. 2423, to authorize a program to provide health, medical, and life insurance benefits to workers at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site, Colorado, who would otherwise fail to qualify for such benefits because of an early physical completion date.

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Reed (for Levin/Reed) Amendment No. 2427, to make available, with an offset, an additional \$50,000,000 for Operation and Maintenance for Cooperative Threat Reduction.

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Levin Amendment No. 2430, to establish a national commission on policies and practices on the treatment of detainees since September 11, 2001.

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Inhofe Amendment No. 2432, relating to the partnership security capacity of foreign military and security forces and security and stabilization assistance.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 2 p.m. on Monday, November 7, 2005.

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Appointments:

Antitrust Modernization Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 107–273, announced the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Antitrust Modernization Commission: Makan Delrahim, of the District of Columbia. Page S12412

NATO Parliamentary Assembly: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with 22

U.S.C. 1928a–1928d, as amended, appointed the following Senators to the Senate Delegation to the NATO Parliamentary Assembly in Copenhagen, Denmark, November 11–14, 2005, during the 109th Congress: Senators Lott, Allard, Sessions, Bunning, and Voinovich.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Wan J. Kim, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

James Caldwell Cason, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Paraguay.

Orlando J. Cabrera, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Shana L. Dale, of Georgia, to be Deputy Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Katherine Baicker, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

Matthew Slaughter, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

Jeffrey Thomas Bergner, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs).

Routine lists in the Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Page S12414

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

61 Air Force nominations in the rank of general. 46 Army nominations in the rank of general.

A routine list in the Army.

Messages From the House:

Measures Referred:

Measures Placed on Calendar:

Additional Cosponsors:

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Amendments Submitted: Pages \$12407-12

Privileges of the Floor: Page S12412

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 12:54 p.m., until 1 p.m., on Monday, November 7, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$12413.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.